

# United States Department of Agriculture,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

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## NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 384, FOOD AND DRUGS ACT.

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### ADULTERATION AND MISBRANDING OF MAPLE SYRUP BLEND— “AUNT JEMIMA’S SUGAR CREAM.”

On or about April 2, 1909, Rigney & Company, Brooklyn, N. Y., shipped from the State of New York to the State of Missouri a quantity of a so-called maple syrup blend labeled:

“Aunt Jemima’s Sugar Cream A blend of rock candy and maple syrup creamed Dainty Desserts made from Aunt Jemima’s Sugar Cream a blend of rock candy and maple syrup creamed. Aunt Jemima’s Sugar Cream.”

“Aunt Jemima’s Sugar Cream. A delicious sauce for table use, pancakes, biscuits, waffles, puddings, etc. For layer cake it makes an excellent filler and icing. For icing cakes it should be slightly warmed by immersing can in hot water. If syrup separates to top of cream stir with table knife until uniform.”

Samples from this shipment were procured and analyzed by the Bureau of Chemistry, United States Department of Agriculture. As the findings of the analyst and report made thereon indicated that the product was adulterated and misbranded within the meaning of the Food and Drugs Act of June 30, 1906, the said Rigney & Company, and the party from whom the samples were purchased, were afforded opportunities for hearings. As it appeared after hearings held that said shipment was made in violation of the act, the Secretary of Agriculture reported the facts to the Attorney General, with a statement of the evidence upon which to base a prosecution.

In due course a criminal information was filed in the Circuit Court of the United States for the Eastern District of New York charging the above shipment, and alleging that the product was adulterated within the meaning of the act because a substance, to wit, glucose, had been mixed and packed with it so as to reduce and lower and injuriously affect its quality and strength; and further alleging that the product was misbranded because it was labeled “A blend of rock candy and maple syrup creamed,” when, as a matter of fact, the

same was not a blend of rock candy and maple syrup creamed, but consisted of rock candy, maple syrup, and glucose.

On March 29, 1910, the defendant pleaded guilty to the information and the court imposed a fine of \$100.

This notice is given pursuant to section 4 of the Food and Drugs Act of June 30, 1906.

JAMES WILSON,  
*Secretary of Agriculture.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., *May 23, 1910.*

